# FortifyTech Security Assessment Findings Report

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#### **Disclaimer**

A penetration test is considered a snapshot in time. The findings and recommendations reflect the information gathered during the assessment and not any changes or modifications made outside of that period.

Time-limited engagements do not allow for a full evaluation of all security controls. CyberShield prioritized the assessment to identify the weakest security controls an attacker would exploit. CyberShield recommends conducting similar assessments on an annual basis by internal or third-party assessors to ensure the continued success of the controls.

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### **Assessment Overview**

From May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, FortifyTech engaged CyberShield to evaluate the security posture of its infrastructure compared to current industry best practices that included an external penetration test. All testing performed is based on the NIST SP 800-115 Technical Guide to Information Security Testing and Assessment, OWASP Testing Guide (v4), and customized testing frameworks.

Phases of penetration testing activities include the following:

- Planning Customer goals are gathered and rules of engagement obtained.
- Discovery Perform scanning and enumeration to identify potential vulnerabilities, weak areas, and exploits.
- Attack Confirm potential vulnerabilities through exploitation and perform additional discovery upon new access.
- Reporting Document all found vulnerabilities and exploits, failed attempts, and company strengths and weaknesses.



### **Assessment Components**

#### **External Penetration Test**

An external penetration test emulates the role of an attacker attempting to gain access to an internal network without internal resources or inside knowledge. A CyberShield engineer performs scanning and enumeration to identify potential vulnerabilities in hopes of exploitation.

# **Finding Severity Ratings**

The following table defines levels of severity and corresponding CVSS score range that are used throughout the document to assess vulnerability and risk impact.

Severity	CVSS V3 Score Range	Definition
Critical	9.0-10.0	Exploitation is straightforward and usually results in system-level compromise. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch immediately.
High	7.0-8.9	Exploitation is more difficult but could cause elevated privileges and potentially a loss of data or downtime. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch as soon as possible.
Medium	4.0-6.9	Vulnerabilities exist but are not exploitable or require extra steps such as social engineering. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch after high-priority issues have been resolved.
Low	0.1-3.9	Vulnerabilities are non-exploitable but would reduce an organization's attack surface. It is advised to form a plan of action and patch during the next maintenance window.
Informational	N/A	No vulnerability exists. Additional information is provided regarding items noticed during testing, strong controls, and additional documentation.

## Scope

Assessment	Details
External Penetration Test	10.15.42.36 10.15.42.7

## **Scope Exclusions**

FortifyTech did not give any limitations.

#### **Client Allowances**

FortifyTech did not provide any allowances to assist the testing.

### **Executive Summary**

CyberShield evaluated FortifyTech's external security posture through an external network penetration test from May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024. By leveraging a series of attacks, TCMS found medium level vulnerabilities that allowed CyberShield to discover password of admin. It is highly recommended that DC address these vulnerabilities as soon as possible as the vulnerabilities are easily found through basic reconnaissance and exploitable without much effort.

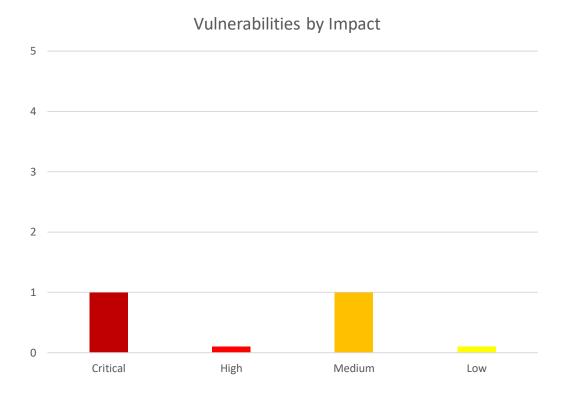
### **Attack Summary**

The following table describes how CyberShield gained admin credentials, step by step:

Step	Action	Recommendation
1	Obtained credentials of admin through anonymous access enabled over FTP service.	Disable FTP service of anonymous.
2	Attempted a "credential stuffing" attack against Outlook Web Access (OWA), which was unsuccessful. However, OWA provided username enumeration, which allowed TCMS to gather a list of valid usernames to leverage in further attacks.	Synchronize valid and invalid account messages.
3	Performed a "password spraying" attack against OWA using the usernames discovered in step 2. TCMS used the password of Summer2018! (season + year + special character) against all valid accounts and gained access into the OWA application.	OWA permitted authenticated with valid credentials. TCMS recommends DC implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) on all external services.  OWA permitted unlimited login attempts. TCMS recommends DC restrict logon attempts against their service.  TCMS recommends an improved password policy of: 1) 14 characters or longer 2) Use different passwords for each account accessed. 3) Do not use words and proper names in passwords, regardless of language  Additionally, TCMS recommends that DC:  Train employees on how to create a proper password
4	Leveraged valid credentials to log into VPN	OWA permitted authenticated with valid credentials. TCMS recommends DC implement Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) on all external services.

# **Vulnerabilities by Impact**

The following chart illustrates the vulnerabilities found by impact:



#### **External Penetration Test Findings**

#### Enabled Access Over FTP Service – Login (Medium)

Description:	FortifyTech enabled anonymous access over FTP service. This configuration
	allowed CyberShield to gain credentials of admin through its database.
Impact:	Medium (CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:L/I:N/A:N   Score: 5.3)
System:	10.15.42.36
References:	https://medium.com/nerd-for-tech/tryhackme-anonymous-989fb5c0edde -
	Enabled FTP access

#### **Exploitation Proof of Concept**

CyberShield gathered information through network scan. The network scan output shows enabled access of anonymous over FTP service (**Note:** A full list of the network scan can be found in "**Additionals"** Folder.).

Figure 1: Sample output of network scan

CyberShield used the gathered information to connect to the FTP service which requires no password. By listing the directory, CyberShield found a backup database that saved administrative credentials.

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LOCK TABLES 'users' WRITE;

/*!40000 ALTER TABLE 'users' DISABLE KEYS */;
INSERT INTO 'users' VALUES (1,'admin','$2y$10$RwYNURXBmyscv9UyfuRDleF8ML0tjn.Ft5lUKwTWiavJOJhM56d0K');

/*!40000 ALTER TABLE 'users' ENABLE KEYS */;
UNLOCK TABLES;

/*!40103 SET TIME_ZONE=@OLD_TIME_ZONE */;
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Figure 2: Snippet of backup.sql database

CyberShield performed bruteforce on the hashed password using the rockyou.txt wordlist and found admin credentials (kiseki666).

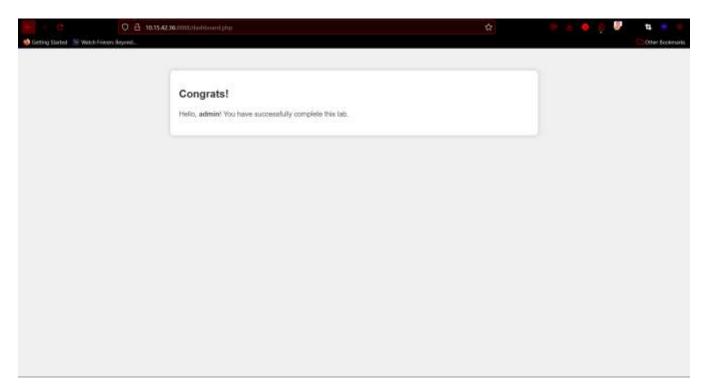


Figure 3: Successful admin login

CyberShield leveraged the valid credentials to log into admin.

#### Remediation

Who:	IT Team
Vector:	Remote
Action:	Configure FTP service by disabling anonymous access.

#### Additional Reports and Scans (Informational)

CyberShield provides all clients with all report information gathered during testing. This includes vulnerability scans. For more information, please see the following documents:

Nmap36.log

WordPress Plugin Forminator 1.24.6 - Unauthenticated Remote Command Execution

Descriptions	Handth authoritated Deposts Commond Francisco
Description:	Unauthenticated Remote Command Execution
Impact:	Critical (CVSS Vector CVSS:3.1/AV:N/AC:L/PR:N/UI:N/S:U/C:H/I:H/A:H)
System:	10.15.42.36
References:	https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/51664
	https://github.com/E1A/CVE-2023-4596

#### **Exploitation Proof of Concept**

CyberShield found information about wordpress plugin called forminator and its version by viewing source of http://10.15.42.7/2024/05/04/post-feedback/.

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Execute PoC script (https://github.com/E1A/CVE-2023-4596).

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